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SUBJECT: TZOUNIS' REPORT ON HIS MEETING WITH THE SECRETARY

1. JUST BEFORE HE LEFT FOR NEW YORK WITH BITSIOS THIS MORNING, JOHN TZOUNIS WENT OVER WITH ME HURRIEDLY A COPY OF HIS REPORT TO PRIME MINISTER CARAMANLISTARY. SINCE PETER RODMAN WAS PRESENT AND IS PREPARING A REPORT OF THAT MEETING, I SHALL NOT REPEAT IN THIS MESSAGE ALL 9* 5#3 098,5 \$8 :7 3\$. HOWEVER, IT SEEMED TO ME THAT TZOUNIS PROVIDED CARAMANLIS A QUITE OBJECTIVE, UNVARNISHED ACCOUNT OF THE MEETING, AND WHILE HE CHARACTERIZED THE ATMOSPHERE AS "GOOD" HE DID NOT PULL ANY PUNCHES IN REPORTING TO CARAMANLIS SOME OF THE COMMENTS MADE BY THE SECRETARY, INCLUDING THE SECRETARY'S REJECTION OF A CARAMANLIS COMPLAINT ABOUT ALLEGED U.S. "PASSIVITY ON MATTERS OF INTEREST TO GREECE, ESPECIALLY IN THE AEGEAN."

2. ON THAT PORTION OF THE DISCUSSION DEALING WITH THE CURRENT BASE NEGOTIATIONS, TZOUNIS REPORTED THE SECRETARY'S COMMENTS AND VIEWS IN WHICH HE STRESSED THE IMPORTANCE OF CONCLUDING THE NEGOTIATIONS FORTHWITH. TZOUNIS REPORTED THAT HE HAD "ASSURED" THE SECRETARY THAT THE GREEK GOVERNMENT WAS DETERMINED TO FINISH THE NEGOTIATIONS "BEFORE OCTOBER 2".
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